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1. Location and Installations: The airfield south of YEDROVO (33°37' E/57°55' N), along the VALDAI-VYSHNI VLACHIEK road, could be observed only from the point where the field borders on the road. This very large field had concrete runways and a large repair hangar.
2. Occupation: The field was occupied by about 200 twin-engine and about 12 four-engine aircraft, most of which were parked on the western field border. According to a Soviet Air Forces NCO, it was occupied by one parachute regiment, to which the aircraft unit was assigned.
3. Aircraft Types Observed:
 - a. Twin-engine low-wing monoplane, radial engine, armored glass turret, armored floor and tail gun mountings. Ground flaps for bomb release or parachute jumps were observed when the plane took off. ++
 - b. Twin-engine low-wing monoplane, radial engine, single rudder assembly, all-metal construction. ++
 - c. Four-engine low-wing monoplane, strikingly high rudder assembly, canopy about in line with center of wings, (presumably) 20-mm gun in wing, ventral gun mount with (presumably) one heavy machine gun, two "barrels" in each leading edge of wings set between fuselage and first pair of engines, rear gunner's station under rudder assembly (observation made from a distance of 100 to 130 feet). +++

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- a. Although the general survey, on the whole, is considered correct, the observations must be viewed with some reservations since they were made in such a short time (during a motor vehicle breakdown). It may be hard even for an expert

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to observe at a great distance whether or not there is a ventral gun mount or an armored cockpit.

b. Contrary to a previous report, according to which mostly bombers were stationed at the YEDDO/CV airfield, this report speaks of a parachute unit with an attached air transport unit stationed there. Further reports are required to ascertain which information is correct.

c. Not verified.

d. Presumably Li-2.

e. Description not clear enough to make possible the identification of one of the known four-engine aircraft types.

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